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Of the tyme whā the comete shall vtter his effecte / and whether it shall longe indure.

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¶ The prognosticacion

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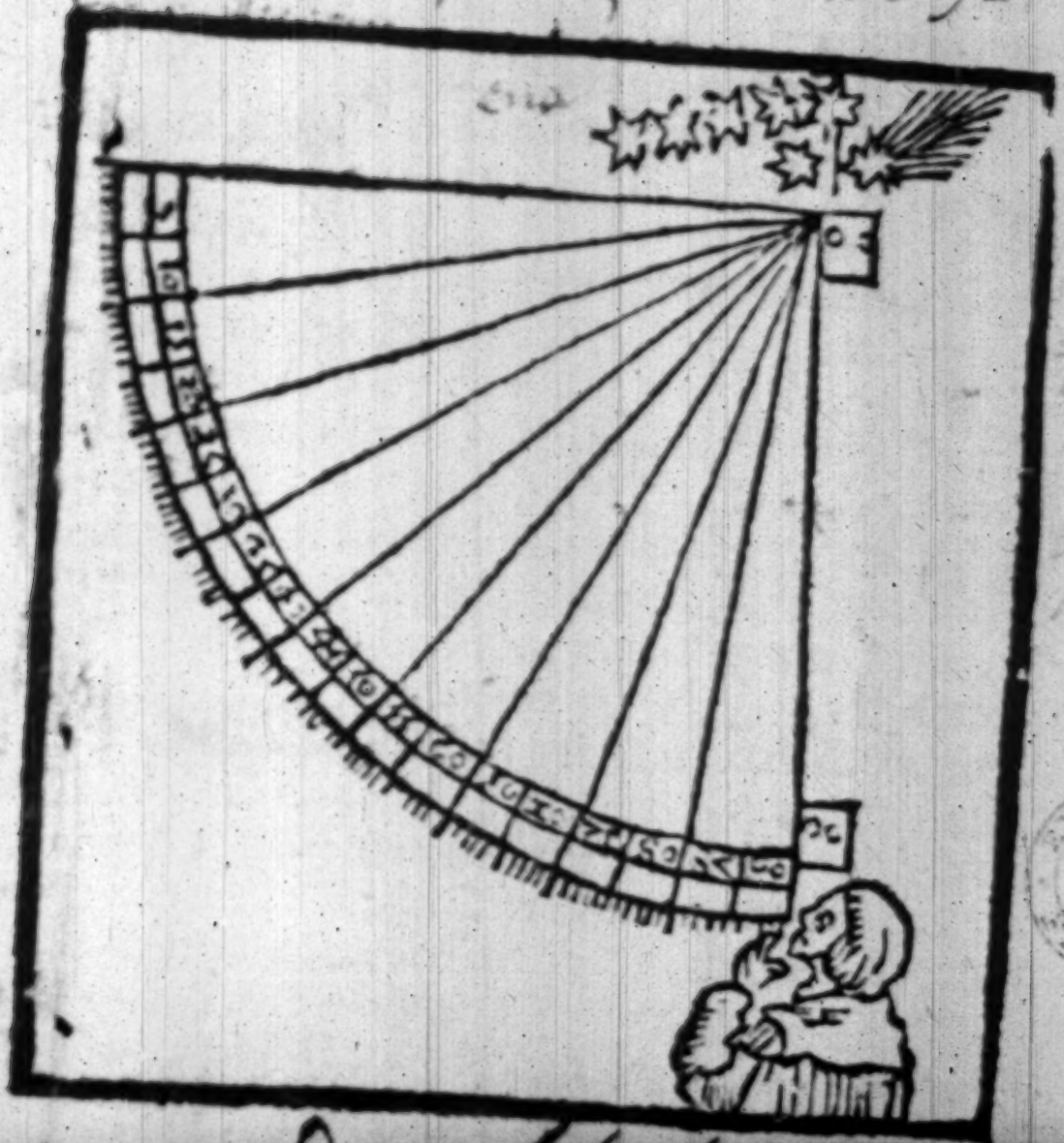
M. D. xxxiij.



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Of the eclyps of the mone.

AT this yere of xxxiij. we haue the eclips of the mone the begenes of xij. poyntes the .xij. day of Auguste at .xi. a clocke and .xlvi. mynutes before mydnight / all / the begynnynge is at .x. a clocke / the ende betwene one and .ij. a clocke after mydnyght and lasteth .iij. houres and a halfe,

This eclipes shall nat do his effecte this yere. Wherby I wyll here make therof no more mencyon.

Of peas and warre.

I fynde nat that great warres shalbe in these partes/ but some small discencyon. But the eest partes shall nat be sure fro warre / bloodeshede and other. Howe be it in this yere there may be some conspiracy or distaunce amonge princes/ lordes / and subiectes / by subtyll inuencions for the yere to come to haue warre bicause of the same.

Of thinges encreasynge on the erthe.

This yere many thinges shall be at a reasonable pryce/ chefely corne/beanes/peason/otes et cetera. but frutes shal be greued at the blossomyng/and the first frutes shalbe dere ynoughe/wyne metely chepe/other thinges may chaunce to ryse in pryce.

Of sickenes this yere.

The disease of this yere be dyuers and meruaylous/with hote feuers/apostumes/fluxe of the wombe / and sometyme payne in the hede / more in somer than at the begynninge/ with daunger of great maladies and derthe of some [illegible] of countreyes: but most vpon the state of the churche, and all thoughe that the auctours maketh more large mencion there of. Neuertheleffe bicause it is odyous to wryte therof I forbere me fro suche thinges / specially bycause that the disposicyon drawyth more vnto euyll than good.

Of the foure quarters of the yere.

The thyrde foundacyon was the coniunctions and apposicyons / precedynge the entre of the sonne into Capricorne / Aries. et cetera. After Ptholome wynter begynne the yere paste / the. xxvi. daye of Nouembre at a xi. a clocke with the fulle moone precedynge the entrynge of the sonne in Capricornus. Whyche as I fynde by his domynatours / as Venus hauynge foure wytnesses in

[illegible] ſhalbe in his diſpoſicion diuers and mutable/but more gen-
tyll thoughe leſſe colde thā the ſeaſon of the yere requireth/ with
diuers moiſtures/rayne/and light wyndes mouynge in the
ayre. And in the mydell of wynter ſnowe with froſt nat longe
duryng/and the ende ſeaſonable after our regyon.

Speyngeryme beginneth with the full mone precedynge
the entringe of the ſon into Aries/of whom are dñatours Ju
piter and Mars/with mercury there hauinge parte. wherby
it ſhall be ſomwhat modefied and temperate/in partie with
ſmall rayne and heate at the ende. Albeit as aboue is ſayd it
ſhall nat exceede/and ſpecially in the ende without thonder/
lightning and tẽpeſt in the ayre/which ſodenly ſhal ryſe and
nat lõge endure. This alſo ſheweth vs the eclyps and the co-
mete/wherby domage may come vnto buildinges/and ſome
encreaſynge of waters. Somer begynneth with the full
mone the. vi. day of Junc before mydnyght as in the. ij. boke
of Apoſtel. appereth. Folowynge his dñatours mercury and
mars in heate/with many dryc wyndes/and yll temperate/
moſt parte clere. By Jupiter ſome fayre dayes lyke to the ſea-
ſon. Harueſt beginneth the. iij. day. of Septẽber the oppo-
ſicion betwene iij. or. iiij. a clocke after none. By the dñatours
it ſhalbe inconſtaunte/wyndy and moiſte/the myddes of it
ſomwhat corrupt of ayre/ſtynking myſtes/fogges. et cetera.
and the ende diſpoſed to his nature and qualite of our regiõ.

Of the ſtate of all perſons after the effecte of planettes.

They vnder Saturne/as olde folkes/melancolius/and
auaricious folkes/iewes/foluſſhe people. et cetera. ſhall do
metely well in helth/but they may ſuffre paynes in the hede.
They vnder Jupyter ſhall ſuffre in their ſubſtaũce/digne-
ties and poſſeſſions: of other thinges that ſhall happen to
them I holde my peas. They vnder mars ſhalbe mclined to
warre and debate/but moſt in their conceyte and wyll/ whi-
che they can nat fulfyll in dede/they ſhall nat eſcape the in-

aspecte eclipsall Mars beynge there. And he may ch
fynde some difficulte in his children. In his counsell t
nat be stable/and shal alowe many thinges without pr
Of the comete I leane to wrytte for some causes. et c
The countrey of fraūce shall prospere reasonably in g
and substaunce/hauyng lytell warres/but it shall nat
sured fro great maladyes and discorde amonge them
yet from the influence of the eclips/and that vpon the he
of Narborne/Marcylle/Monpeller. et cetera.

Of the towne of Louayne.

The auncient towne of Louayne shall nat greatly pr
in their goodes and substaūce/and shalbe domaged in
degrees and worsshippe by the eclips and comete. They
scape merely fro longe sekenes/ but they shall nat be su
sodayne maladyes.

Of the towne of Andwarpe.

Andwarpe shall nat escape without great and so
maladyes by cause of the eclyps/and shall suffre doma
see of shyppes/their marchaundise shall nat prospere
be deceytefull and fals. It shalbe well ruled but not w
some rumour of the comens.

Of the towne of Bruxelles.

Bruxelles shall prospere wel in substaūce and good
meanes of Mercury. There shall ryse a lytell dyscorde
the comens/the ryche people shal haue payne by malad

Of the countye of Flaunders.

Flaunders shall gouerne themselfe very wysely/b
without discencion/and prosspere merely in their subst
and bodyes. In somer shall be hote maladyes but nat
durynge.

Of the towne of Gaunte.

Gaunte shall behaue them selfe reasonably in the
ynges and busynesses/but the eclips is to them somwha
perte/principally in the ende of somer.

Of the towne of Bruges.

towne of Bruges by reason of the eclipse/ shall suffre
es/debate/or stryues/ whiche by rype deliberacyon
ozely be ceased.

Of the countreys of Hollande and Zelande.

countreys of Hollande and Zelande by reason of the
are thretened to suffre domage by the see/ of theyr
and shippes/ a. losse of their people/ encrease of wa
e may happen/ but nat great/ and without domage
e god. But they shall haue often many wyndes and
s of waters: in suche wyse that the dyches shall
nage.

Of the countye of Henawe.

ountye of Henawe shall prospere reasonably/ inclyn
warre & debate/ with daungerous maladyes longe
g/ and moste amonge yonge folkes.

These be the inclynacions whiche I haue
founde this yere.

Finis.

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